THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
FACULTY OF EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION HONOURS IN NATURAL SCIENCES
DEGREE PROGRAMME 2023/2024



LEVEL - 06

FINAL EXAMINATION - 2024 SNU6212 – INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

**DURATION - THREE (03) HOURS** 

Date: 20.12.2024

Time: 1.30 p.m. - 04.30 p.m.

Answer All Questions in Part I and any three (03) questions from Part II.

## PART - I

- 01. Explain the term Special Needs Education (SNE) and discuss its importance in promoting inclusive education particularly in the context of Sri Lanka.
- 02. List **three (03)** teaching strategies that can be used to support students with hearing impairment in an Inclusive Classroom.
- 03. List five (05) common barriers to effective inclusive education.
- 04. State three (03) challenges faced by teachers in inclusive classroom. Chose one challenge and briefly explain how it can be effectively addressed.
- 05. Explain briefly **two (02)** key difference between integration and inclusion in the context of education with relevant examples.
- 06. List three (03) importance of Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) in addressing the needs of children with disabilities.
- 07. As a teacher in an inclusive classroom, how would you identify children with writing difficulties? Explain the steps you would take.
- 08. Describe briefly **three** (03) key differences between intellectual disabilities and physical disabilities.

 $(5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ marks})$ 

## PART – II

- 09. i. Explain briefly **three (03)** educational challenges faced by students with Down Syndrome in an inclusive classroom. (06 marks)
  - ii. Describe briefly how teachers adapt their teaching strategies to better support for students with Down Syndrome. (06 marks)
  - iii. Compare briefly the **two (02)** key differences between Down Syndrome and Cerebral Palsy. (08 marks)

- 10. i. Name **three (03)** challenges of each students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD) might face in an Inclusive Classroom. (06 marks)
  - ii. Identify one of the challenges mentioned above and briefly describe two (02) possible solutions you would suggest to address it as a pre-service teacher.

(06 marks)

- iii. Select **one (01)** of the solutions proposed above and explain its implementation in detail, providing examples to illustrate your approach. (08 marks)
- 11. i. Name three (03) major challenges faced by teachers in implementing inclusive education practices in Sri Lanakan classroom. (03 marks)
  - ii. Using two (02) appropriate examples, illustrate why Pre-Service teachers need adequate knowledge and training in inclusive practices. (07 marks)
  - iii. Suggest five (05) creative strategies that can be adopted in the Sri Lankan context to promote an inclusive classroom environment. (2x5 = 10 marks)
- 12. i. Explain the differences between the terms "Impairment" "Disability and Handicap" as defined by World Health Organization (WHO) in 1980. (06 marks)
  - ii. Discuss how understanding these differences can help Pre-Service teachers to create a more inclusive classroom for students with divers needs. (06 marks)
  - iii. Reflect on situation where a student with an impairment might face barriers in a Sri Lankan classroom and suggest two (02) strategies to reduce these barriers.

(08 marks)

- 13. i. Explain **briefly (03)** key differences between gifted and talented students and student with learning disabilities. (06 marks)
  - ii. As a teacher in an inclusive classroom, describe two (02) creative strategies you can apply to address the needs of gifted and talented students and students with Learning Disabilities. (LD) (06 marks)
  - iii. Providing one (01) example, discuss three (03) ways in which collaboration with parents and specialists can enhance the learning experiences of both group in a classroom. (08 marks)
- 14. i. Explain briefly **three (03)** common challenges faced by students with visual impairment in an inclusive classroom. (06 marks)
  - ii. Providing at least **two (02)** examples, discuss briefly how above challenges may affect their learning process. (06 marks)
  - iii. Suggest five (05) teaching strategies classroom adaptations that teacher can improve to support the students with visual impairments in an inclusive classroom.

(08 marks)